

2024  
The 32<sup>nd</sup> annual celebration of  
**THE FLORIDA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL**  
**MUSIC, VARIETY, CHARACTERS & ENCAMPMENTS**  
Pictures and Profiles

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**ARTHUR GREENLEAF HOLMES**  
Full Run in the Greathall Tent  
Rated R

Arthur Greenleaf Holmes is a sixteenth century libertine and until recently, an anonymous poet. Today, by some miracle of an enduring spirit that we shan't spend too much time examining, Arthur brings his wildly inappropriate poetry to stages throughout the free world. Arthur presents a show that is at once extremely literate, entrancingly lyrical, breathtakingly scandalous, and very, very funny.



**BARD AND MINSTRELS--BAM**  
Full run in the Lance & Shield pub stage

This musical trio can be found tucked away in our Lance and Shield Pub, located near the Jousting Field. They present a joyous musical set featuring traditional Irish music with good natured fun and an invitation to “Party with the Band”. Unscheduled and uncensored, a good time will be had by all with comedy, music, and a bit of debauchery.



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## BLUE MUSE

Full run at the Phyfe & Fiddle Music Pavilion

Blue Muse performs selections from the Cantigas de Santa Maria, a library of 13<sup>th</sup> century Spanish and Portuguese devotional music, brought forward in time by way of modern sound textures and jazz leanings. Featuring the talents of Misti Bernard and Victoria Van Arnam.



## BROON

### Full Run on the Crown Stage

Broon has been making people laugh as one of the premier Renaissance Festival performers for over twenty-five years with his irreverent and improvisational style. Combining magic, bullwhips, juggling and fire eating with a sharp wit Broon pulls the audience into the show making each performance uniquely hilarious.



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# BUCKLE & SWASH

Full Run at the Raptor's Nest Stage

Join Captain Red Swash Rogers and Mr. Punt Buckle for pirate comedy, sword fighting, and other... stuff.



## THE CAPTAIN'S PIRATE INITIATION

### Full Run in the Tortuga Bay Encampment

Have you ever wanted to learn how to be a Pirate? Well, how about learning from a real one? After traveling from festival to festival all over the state of Florida, Captain Jack and Angelica want to show you how to become a true buccaneer! Try on some pirate garb, get an official certificate, and even learn how to sword fight from the good Capt'n himself! It's a swashbuckling adventure ye surely can't miss! This is a unique one-on-one experience for the young and the young at heart.





## CAST IN BRONZE

Full run starting on February 10<sup>th</sup>, at the front gate

A wildly talented and animated master sits before the keyboard of a traveling Carillon, which is a musical instrument made up of more than a ton of bronze church bells. The sound and music created is rich, impressive, and deeply inspirational. The musical sets include music both sacred and profane, stirring, and popular, representing modern tastes in a massive instrument. The Carillon is also the village timepiece, chiming the hours.



# CELTIC MAYHEM

## Full Run in the Biergarten

Combining the talents of members of three of the renaissance faire circuit's most popular musical acts, Celtic Mayhem has been entertaining audiences with their unique, raucous brand of Celtic folk music since their debut in the Spring of 2007. Masterfully led by Ty Billings on vocals, guitar, and flute, Celtic Mayhem have developed into a remarkable "Celtic power trio". When performing at fairs and festivals, the band plays Celtic traditional music and folk songs, along with original and contemporary music with a traditional feel.





CHARRY GARCIA  
Full Run, On the Streets

Our village one-man band, this multi-talented performer will delight audiences with music both playful and melodic on a variety of instrument.



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## CHASTE TREASURE

### Full Run in the Biergarten

Winner of multiple accolades from the Annual Renaissance Festival Podcast Awards, Chaste Treasure is an all-women's A Cappella ensemble with a look and flair like no other. Truly a treasure, but questionably chaste, do not be fooled by our high-class clothes! Our bawdy singing combined with highly entertaining and engaging shows will be sure to have you laughing in the aisles.



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## THE CODDYWOMPLERS

Full Run at the Front Plaza Pavilion

Jean Haskins and John Sowerby will delight guests arriving to our festival with songs and melodies representing the finest of Renaissance traditions. They will perform in our newly developed music pavilion located in the Front Gate Plaza



## COMMEDIA MADRIGAL SINGERS

Full run in the Phyfe & Fiddle Music Pavilion

Renaissance period traditional madrigal singing group with a commedia dell'arte twist! Harmonies with humor in a broadly comic vein, these animated characters blend flawlessly in voice while keeping the attitudes light and the beer flowing.



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## COMMON STOCK

### Full Run in the Collectors Corner

With a cheery "How do?" to all they meet, Jack Milgrew & Maddie Bliss can be found tucked away, somewhere along the lanes of the village with a variety of traditional entertainments. Stop to peer into the depths of the Turnip Wagon of Wonders for Artifacts Historical, Biblical and Fantastical, operate one of the hands-on Bliss Puppets as they stroll around in the shady spots or share a story about the village festival. Laugh with Jack & Maddie as they ride about on traditional Hobby Animals. Join in the fun that working folk have turned to for centuries.



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## DeBRACEY PRODUCTIONS

### Full Run in the Tournament Field Arena

Debracey Productions is a live action stunt show. We combine trick riding, vaulting, chariot racing, death defying stunts, full contact jousting and a gladiator style spectacle. Witness the romantic story of a beautiful warrior princess searching for her knight in shining armor. The masses must decide the princess's fate where the winner takes all, princess, kingdom, treasure, but does he win her heart?



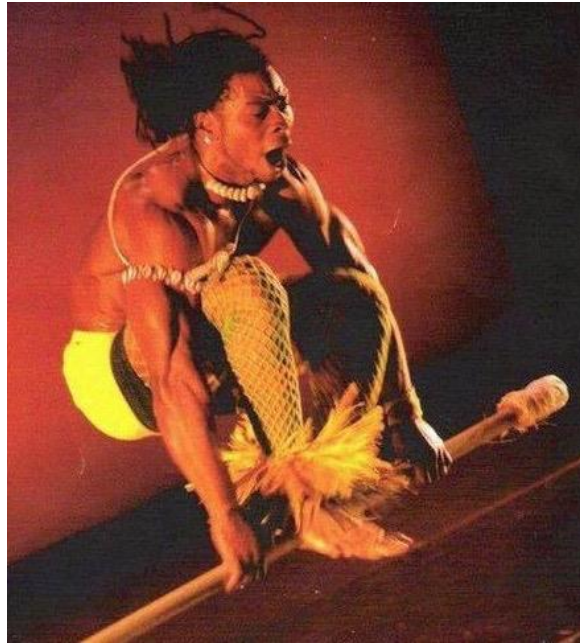
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## DJIAN TIE AFRICAN DANCERS

February, on the Checkmate Stage

New to our festival, these exotic dancers bring a vibrancy and athleticism unparalleled within our village. Having performed throughout the world, these dancers truly reflect the international qualities true to the spirit of the Renaissance.



**FILTHY IRISH STORIES**  
Full Run in the Greathall Tent  
Rated R... and beyond

If you like your humor smart and dirty, come hear the Renaissance's most articulate storyteller. You'll laugh so hard you'll shoot beer out of your nose, even if you weren't drinking beer. Not for the easily offended. NC-17... at the very least.



# FOOLE SCHOOL

## Full Run on the Once Upon a Stage

Chaos doesn't just happen. Foolishness is a very serious business and requires some serious training. Join our resident sillyman, Pester the Jester as he teaches the basics in the art of the wacky, the weird, and the wonderful.



# THE FOXY BARD

Full run, throughout the village

Gather round to hear as The Foxy Bard and Twig regale you with songs of drinking and roving... living the life and loving the little things.



GABRIEL Q  
Full run, on the Streets

Watch ye out for Sir Real and his beautiful, bizarre, and hilarious big puppets and stilt characters. Find him floating in the lanes with Giant Butterfly and Caterpillar, Baby, The Queen of Hearts on her high white horse and many more!



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# THE LADY GISSELLE

## Village Harpist

Shakespeare always says it best...

“Be not afeard; the isle is full of noises,  
Sounds and sweet airs, that give delight, and hurt not.  
Sometimes a thousand twangling instruments  
Will hum about mine ears; and sometime voices,  
That, if I then had waked after long sleep,  
Will make me sleep again: and then, in dreaming,  
The clouds methought would open, and show riches  
Ready to drop upon me; that, when I waked,  
I cried to dream again.”

Our village harpist is a magick in melody.



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## HARPER & THE MINSTREL

For the first two weeks in the Phyfe & Fiddle Music Pavilion

Jay and Abby Michaels are a husband-and-wife musical duo, “The Harper and the Minstrel”. They have performed throughout this country for the past 22 years. They will delight you with Medieval, Renaissance, and Celtic Music sung and played on at least a dozen instruments.

Jay Michaels is known as The Harper. He has several Historical Harps designed after early Renaissance instruments, wire-strung Irish Harps, and the more contemporary Electric Harp. In addition to Harps, he is adept at the Viola da Gamba, Rebec, Dulcimer, and Baroque and Classical Guitars. Jay currently serves as President of The Historical Harp Society. He is also a member of Early Music America and The Viola da Gamba Society. His music has appeared in Television Programs and Independent Films.

Abby Michaels is the Minstrel in this dynamic duo. She is also a multi-instrumentalist who plays Flutes, Recorders, Pennywhistles, the Aulos (a divergent flute), Bowed Psaltery, Guitar, Harp, and Hammered Dulcimer. Her lovely voice partnered with Jay’s baritone creates spellbinding harmonies.



## HEARTSTRING-JAMES O'CLAIR

Full Run on the Streets-Between the Biergarten & the Washing Well

Our modern-day violins' oldest ancestors had one string and were held on or between the knees. Sometimes during the Renaissance, players adopted an alternative position of tucking the base of the instrument under the chin. James O'Clair presents a unique interpretation of the ancient one-stringed instrument he calls the "Heart String". Listen to the haunting melodies as he plays his beautiful HAND MADE instrument.



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## HISTORICAL GLASSWORKS

Full Run in the Glassblowing Pavilion

The ancient art of glassblowing as demonstrated by Master glass blower Jason Klein. He has made glass for the Pirates of the Caribbean, The Hobbit and the upcoming Seventh Son movies. Watch as he makes the beautiful glass art of Rome, the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, or just whatever you want him to make right here at our Faire!



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## IMPROVerished PLAYERS

Full Run once a day on the Crown Stage

"We improvise because we are too lazy to rehearse."

The IMPROVerished Players are a raggle-taggle group of improvisational comedians who perform at renaissance festivals, community theaters, and all-you-can eat sushi bars. After spending 21 days locked in a room to work on their special brand of comedy (ok, it was really rehab), they are now ready to entertain you and the masses.



## IVANHOE BRASS

Full Run on the Streets and various stages throughout the village.

Formerly Brighton Brass, Ivanhoe Brass is “Purveyors of Fine Trumpetry” and has been performing at FLARF since 1999. Performing the hits of the 1600's, including such composers as King Henry VIII, Thomas Morley, Thomas Weelkes, Heinrich Issac, Orlando di Lasso and more. Ivanhoe Brass can be found heralding at the front gate, the joust, the parade, the scenario and provides a grand entrance for our royalty. Director Paul Southwood-Smith, “Southwood,” has been performing with FLARF on Bass Trombone since 2000.



## IVANOVICH!

Full Run at the Magic Bar near the Biergarten

Performing magic across the country since he was a magician's apprentice over 30 years ago. He was recently voted "Best Magician" in Milwaukee and is currently working on imbuing inanimate objects with life. At least that's what he tells us...

Ivanovich will read your mind, multiply your money, and do the impossible - all while making you laugh, shout, and keep asking, "What in the world?" Be warned - Ivanovich is Professionally Sneaky.





# JACKDAWS

Weekends in March, in the Biergarten

The Jackdaws deliver original, contemporary, and traditional Irish Rock to audiences across the land. This trailblazing trio will excite and have you coming back for more with their driving melodies and relentlessly aggressive lyrics. More Irish than a drunken roar, and a damned sight messier, meet The Jackdaws.



## JACQUES ze WHIPPER

Weekends in March, on the Black Wolf Stage

The second half of the season brings us the talents of Jacques Ze Whipper. This light-hearted artist is a Guinness Book record holder and has performed throughout the country in both circus and festivals, including competing successfully on “America’s Got Talent” ... and he has. He has just taken his show “on the road” to great critical acclaim. Jacques is charm personified, with a performance filled with wit and whip.



## KAMIKAZE FIREFLIES

Full Run on the Crown Stage

Comedy wrapped in lunacy wrapped in foolishness. This show is a combination of strength, physical agility, and amazingly well-crafted routines, balancing classical theatrical training with disciplined circus physicality. It is a constantly changing series of routines, patter, physical impossibilities, unbelievable situations, and audience interactions. They are difficult to describe and impossible to forget.



## KELLY ACADEMY OF IRISH DANCE

### Full Run, on Checkmate Stage

The Kelly Irish Dancers, under the direction of a Coimisiun LeRince Gaelacha instructor and choreographer Caitlin Kelly, present a lively program of both traditional and contemporary Irish Dance. The Kelly Irish Dancers are winners of numerous Irish Dance Championships and are comprised of young dancers, age 5 through 19, trained at the Kelly School of Irish Dance in Ft. Lauderdale.



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## KNIGHTWINGS

Falconry and exotic birds  
Full run on the Raptor's Nest Stage

Join master falconer Ash Cary and see exotic birds of prey up close and in the air. Hawks, falcons, owls, eagles, and vultures featured in 3 different shows daily in the Jousting Arena.

Meet the falconer and see the birds up close at the display area just to the side of the arena. Mr. Cary performs all around the country in both entertainment and educational venues, bringing the wonder and beauty of these magnificent creatures to the general public.



## LACE-N-STEEL

### Full Run in the Merchants of Brittany Encampment

Throughout the renaissance there were festivals and fairs and one unique type of travelling entertainer would display feats of physical strength, flexibility, or endurance. The Amazing Olaf is one of a rare breed of entertainer with a demonstration of physical abilities that most certainly ought not to be attempted at home. Impossible to describe, this is a performance true to the mountebank traditions of traveling sideshows. Found exclusively in the Hanseatic League Encampment. Schedule to be determined daily.



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## LADY OPHELIA'S DANCE PARTY

Full Run starting second weekend at the Maypole

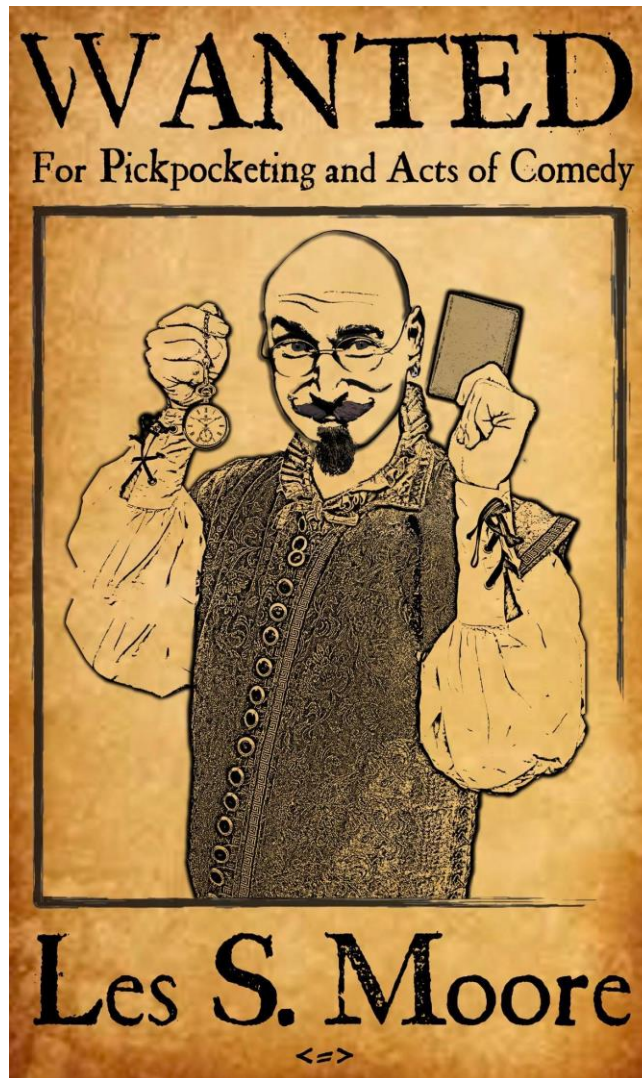
Lady Ophelia, a member of his Majesty's court invites you to flirt... the old-fashioned way. She is well versed and most skilled in all the current dances and royal entertainments and offers you a wonderful opportunity to join in the fun. It is a delightful diversion to learn a new dance and engage with new friends in movement and grace. The dance party is fun for all as you become entwined in the history, the joy and the traditions of court and country dance.



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LES S. MOORE (will steal your stuff)  
Full run on the Crown Stage

Reformed “Asset Acquisition and Redistribution Specialist”, Les S. Moore exposes the insider tricks used by pickpockets to steal your things, without you even knowing. Combining Vaudevillian style and Renaissance panache, Les teaches the audience how to avoid getting their pockets picked (by everyone but himself). For laughter and amazement, Les S. Moore!



## LIVING STATUE

Full run throughout the village

Art, architecture, performance



## MASALA MUSIC AND DANCE

### Full Run, on the Checkmate Stage

If you've ever wanted to run away and live by your talents and your wits, then plan to be delighted as you are captivated by the sounds and sights of Masala Music and Dance! Find yourself transported by the mesmerizing drum rhythms and enchanting melodies of their world-class musicians. Experience the fantastic flamenco footwork, swift canes, and dangerous swords of their most beloved dances acquired from their travels through the mysterious East all the way to the passionate West. Don't miss your chance to share the joy of Masala Music and Dance.



## A MERRYE NOYSE

One week only—February 17 & 18, in the Phyfe & Fiddle Music Pavilion

A Merrye Noyse is an ensemble of performers from within the Palm Beach Recorder and Early Music Society, which is a collective of musicians with scholastic and performance expertise, specializing in the wind and percussive instruments of the Renaissance. The village of Kimmendale is honored to feature this company of highly regarded musicians, who will present a rare concert performance of traditional period tunes and tones. So, bring your Crumhorn, your Dulcian, your Shawm, or even your Rackett, and enjoy the unique sounds and sweet airs of A Merrye Noyse.



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## THE MIDNIGHT UNIVERSITY

Found within the Village Promenade

The Midnight University tests and challenges interested candidates, while instructing them in the basics of the science of Magick. Professor Argentius, and Professor Oriana Incantus are both skilled masters of the process and purpose of Alchemy, which is the science of transformation, where one takes that which is, and elevates it to an exalted state, making it greater than it was, releasing it into its natural state of being. Their conversation is spirited and always insightful.





# MOONIE THE MAGNIFICENT

Full run on the Tudor Stage

Juggler. Ropewalker. Foolish Mortal!

BEWARE for MooniE will stop at nothing to bring his comedy right to you. He will provoke. He will endear. He will make you open your eyes! He may look like a clown, but he acts like he owns the place! Not for the easily intimidated.



## MUSIC THE GATHERING

Full Run on the Black Wolf Stage

Music The Gathering is an original, interactive, and energetic folk music show. Inspired by scenario and strategy games, Music the Gathering features a band of musicians who tell fantasy stories using songs with full harmonies and multi-instrumental arrangements, complete with jokes, toasts, and riddles. At strategic moments, band members may cast spell cards against each other, which force them to complete crazy challenges while performing the music.



## MUTTVILLE COMIX

Weekends in February, on the Black Wolf Stage

Sit! Stay! Get ready to howl! Johnny Peers and his personality-plus canines are coming to tickle your funny bone! Since their 1980 debut, the Muttville Comix have appeared on David Letterman, Primetime Live, Circus of the Stars, Disneyland, Busch Gardens, the Big Apple Circus, even The White House! A show for the whole family and the dog lover in all of us, the show stars mostly dogs rescued from animal shelters or pounds. Comedic chaos at its best, with man's best friend.



## OPAL THE BUBBLE FAIRY

Full run, found throughout the village

A respected citizen of our Village and of Wonderland, our resident faerie Opal creates magic and provides blessings to one and all. Hers is a gentle magic of wonder and joy, enchanting children of all ages. She comes from another world to grace us with her gentle beauty, her caring nature, and a sense of delight made to inspire everyone she encounters. She is a wish made manifest.



## PIRATE'S CREED

Weekends in February, in the Biergarten

Pirate's Creed is a musical pirate band that does some traditional pirate music with some original pirate shanties that rocks the crowd! The music is masterful, the pace frantic and the exuberance contagious, these gentleman privateers will sail into our village and plunder hearts.



## THE PIRATES OF TORTUGA BAY

Hiding in plain sight, in the middle of the village  
Complete with a pair of Mermaids

A group of pirates marooned in Tortuga Bay have established a new home space and are slowly taking over the necessary job of procuring exotic goods for the gentle village folk and providing protection from other pirates in the neighboring waters. With charm and courtesy, they strive to engage our guests in good-natured fun as they try to earn their Letter of Mark, with a goal of becoming His Majesty's official Privateers.



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## THE PUB CRAWL OF LEGEND

Full Run, Tours Meet at the Guest Services Pavilion just within the Front Gate

Greetings thirsty travelers, Our Village pub tour guides will eagerly take you on our most popular tour of all time, The Pub Crawl. Join this legendary foursome in a fun, frivolous, and fantastic tour of the village of Kimmendale. Expect a hilarious adventure filled with camaraderie, jokes, toasts, and beer. You will face the ultimate challenge in joining them in the ranks of “Master or Mistress Drunkard” by sampling the finest ales throughout the realm. Be warned, you will have a good old-fashioned bawdy time. Journey with them in Merry making to 5 pubs and enjoy a different libation at each one.



## RANGEL THE WIZARD

Found wandering throughout the Village

Magic, found throughout our little village, must be carefully managed and maintained. Our wandering wizard, Rangel is here to manage the mayhem and maintain the moment, for magic always starts in the heart, with a wish, a dream, or an intention. The sensitive soul of a wizard helps bring dreams into reality as he listens to the song of nature and weaves the harmonies of manifestation.



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# ROBIN HOOD AND MAID MARION

## Full Run on the Once Upon a Stage

Join Robin Hood and Maid Marion for interactive storytelling and tales of adventure and daring do, daring did and daring done.



# ROTA TEMPORIS

Full run on the Black Wolf Stage

Back by popular demand, we once again present Rota Temporis, a pipe and drum ensemble of traveling Italian musicians performing as a cultural exchange across America.





## SES CARNY'S DOUBLE-EDGED DAREDEVILS

Weekends in March, on the Checkmate Stage

I wouldn't say that Ses Carny is a dangerous lunatic, a frightening spectre, or a strange, savage, unpredictable hazard to health and sanity... I wouldn't, but you can. Anyone who enjoys playing with knives and fire should be watched very carefully, and that is what I sincerely recommend. How he managed to entice his lovely assistant to engage in such acts of peril does not suggest close examination, though it probably involves hypnosis, bribery, or blackmail. There is humor to be found, thrills to be experienced, and masterful skills to witness. (Really, he's just a big teddy bear... like a grizzly.)



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## SONG & STORY TRADING COMPANY

Full run on the Once Upon a Time Stage

Experience the enchantment of the Song & Story Trading Company, where the power of songs and stories intertwine. Kris, with his mastery of percussions, flutes, and guitar, infuses the company with adventurous melodies inspired by his seafaring days and love for Celtic music. Tomas, skilled in the accordion, adds harmonious melodies from his diverse European travels. Join their captivating performances for a journey of cultural exploration. An entertaining experience for families and audiences of all ages.





**THE DIRTIEST SHOW ON EARTH**  
Full Run at the Mud Pit... IN the Mud Pit

A duo of adventurous storytellers willing to wallow in the earthier aspect of humor while adding a whole new dimension to filthy humor and “groundbreaking” entertainments.



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## THOM BEDLAM

### Full Run, on the Streets

Never trust a pirate. Captain Thom Bedlam is landlocked awaiting repairs or another ship. Life ashore has left him bored and bursting with tomfoolery. It's a wild array of magical mayhem, the sharing of vastly inaccurate knowledge and gregarious lessons on being a pirate. Almost learn how to counterfeit for unparalleled wealth, the possibly correct way to run someone through without spoiling the carpet, an improper application of a hook as a prosthetic, and how to be taller through lynching. It's the most fun you'll have this side of the Caribbean and gives you a whole new perspective for the saying "I'd rather be sailing". Yo Ho! Not so much memorable as hilariously traumatizing.



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## WASHING WELL WENCHES Full Run, at the Washing Well Stage

Swing by the wash pit and visit the Washing Well Wenches, where the women rule and the men drool. They're known for more than their stunning good looks. These girls are also "I peed my pants" funny. \*

Thankfully, they will wash them for you after the show.

\* (An actual quote from living audience member)



## THE KIMMENDALE PROMENADE

This lane in our village is its heart. Filled with characters, stories, games, intrigue, and good companionship, come discuss the concerns of the people in this rustic country shady lane, during the days of our annual festival. We welcome all visitors to our home, and we encourage you to pass time in good company. This is just a small slice of village life, but a very interesting one at that. We have our village hall, public works, collections of curiosities, a wizard or two, a vacation club, wise women and worldly wonders, and The Queen of Hearts hosting the Royal Court. A chance to meet with royalty and to play with the peasantry, make a wish and create a memory. Plus... there might be cheese.





## Court, Nobility, Village Characters, Nobs, and Knaves

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### King Robert and Queen Beatrice

Two years ago, at a diplomatic convention held in Monte Carlo, a distracted King Henry VIII of England lost the rights of protection to our faire village in an ill-conceived game of chance between himself and the Lord Mayor of Kimmendale, who immediately negotiated a beneficial treaty with a private collector of small kingdoms and independent principalities, our beloved majesties, King Robert and Queen Beatrice.

At our annual village festival, the citizens of Kimmendale gather to converse freely with our monarchs and protectors who have given generously to the growth and development of our village. To ensure that the people are well represented in the official proceedings of government, the King and Queen have established a Village Council, where any person within the village can address their Majesties and discuss lofty concerns and problems. Growth is never easy, but the gracious and loving natures of the monarchs quickly put everyone at ease. The hard liquor doesn't hurt either.



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## Princess Snow Lord Chancellor, and Head of the Village Council

Our fair Princess is a force for kindness throughout our village. Smart, articulate, a born diplomat, and a clever problem-solver, she sees the good in everyone and brings light into any life. She is the most naturally loving person you will ever meet, and the King's secret weapon in negotiations with princes and titans of industry. Clearly, she is the smartest person in any room, but she is also humble enough to never let anyone else know this fact. Princess Snow has a careful logic which always finds working compromises and keeps everyone happy, and the kingdom peaceful and prosperous. She is magnificence personified.



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## Lord Mayor Percival DeGage'

As Lord Mayor and local nobleman of the village of Kimmendale, Lord Percival considers himself sadly victimized by the incompetence of others. In truth he is not so much beloved because of his abilities, but rather tolerated with amusement despite his tragic shortcomings. He is often referred to as having a nervous temperament... because frivolously fussy hysteric is just too sadly accurate.



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# Pulcinella

Assistant to The Lord Mayor  
Majordomo to The Royal Court  
Actor of limited renown  
Opportunist  
Loveable Louse



Duchess Veroncia Armfeldt  
CEO: Queen of Hearts Enterprises

Tucked into the village Promenade, you will find magic, mystery, and The Queen of Hearts.

She is a businesswoman of good taste, great insight, and greater discretion. Providing advice to the lovelorn and matchmaking services to the masses, this pavilion provides joyous opportunities to every guest seeking love, good humor, and a happy ending. The

Queen of Hearts and her Tarts are here to offer their tender mercies to one and all, knowing that nothing is better than affection. Her business is love, and she loves her business.



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Amara Cassata  
Artiste, Celebrity, and Toast of European Society

Living by her wits and the good graces of high society, Lady Cassata has entertained thousands with her unique take on classical services. A beloved, gifted and surprisingly flexible entertainer, she has worked under some of the most powerful noblemen from every corner of the world. She is a familiar fixture in the salons, theatres, beer halls and private residences of accommodating people of all persuasions seeking an intellectually stimulating experience.



## Master Elrick Village Apothecary

Within our village Promenade, our resident healer and counselor may be found. Master Elrick knows the qualities and gifts of every bit of flora to be found on the continent. He can soothe a difficult cough, loosen troublesome congestion, reduce a fever, and raise a spirit. He can produce a poultice to promote proper physical fitness. He is our Master of Medicine and can work wonders with weeds. He is also kindness personified, and an unparalleled healer. He listens with an open heart and has an encyclopedic knowledge of both the physic and the psyche.





## Lindsey Limberger Celebrated Cheesemonger

Every village has its legends, and Mistress Lindsey is ours. She is the steady, reliable, and most constant character in our village life. For 30 years our festival has had her at our center, managing the mischief with effortless grace and fine attention to the details of our daily activities. She is our Queen of Queso, our Countess of Camembert, our Duchess of Danablu, our Empress of Emmental, our Marchioness of Manchego, the Peer of Parmesan, the Swiss miss of Stilton, and the Friend of Fontina. She is very Gouda for business. Her Cottage is just east of Edam, but don't call on her too early. She can be a real Muenster before her morning cup of coffee. In her 30 years of service to our community, she has collected a mass of cheesy jokes, and they all String together in a drippy delight of gooey goodness. She is here to remind everyone that...

“Sweet dreams are made of Cheese  
Who am I to diss a Brie  
I Cheddar the world and Feta cheese  
Everybody's looking for Stilton”.





Bess Sharpe  
Royal Launderess

Bess is no common washing wench but rather the Lady of the Laundry, the Duenna of Detergent, and the Mother Superior of Suds. She is also the head of the Wenches Guild (local 409) and as such knows all the dirt (see what I did there?) and gossip on every member of the Royal Household. She also knows how to get blood stains out of the Knight's linens. (Club soda and Borax in a cold wash)



## Lady Ettie Goddess

Lady Ettie, a customs authori-tea is a beloved character of taste and fashion endearing to our village and advising guests on matters of etiquette and deportment. Always ready to assist visitors to Kimmendale on the changing trends of international fashions. Her sense of style is described as unique.  
She reminds all that beauty is in the eye of the beholder.



## LIVING HISTORY ENCAMPMENTS

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### H. M. Royal Artillery

Encampment located Lakeside near the Joust Tournament Field

H. M. Royal Artillery is freelance artillery battery that is employed by the King. Known as “Keepers of the Peace” they open the festival every morning, at his Majesty’s command, with a cannon shot. In the evening, promptly at sunset they close the faire with a small arms and cannon demonstration. As a historic reenactment group, they are dedicated to teaching and demonstrating the safe use of muzzle-loading black powder cannons and small arms. Once a day during faire, and by his Majesty’s permission, they conduct a live fire black powder cannon demonstration in the Joust Arena Forecourt.

The current arsenal consists of 14 cannons and over 70 different small arms. As acknowledged black powder experts with over 110 years of combined experience with muzzle-loading weaponry of all types, one of their main endeavors is education. Stop by their encampment to learn about the fascinating history of black powder and the weapons that used it.

2 Cannon Shows Daily, Near the Washing Well Stage



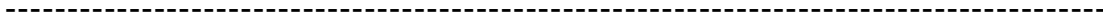
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## Merchants of Brittany

Encampment located between the Good Knight Pub Stage and the Mud Pit

We portray a merchant caravan traveling through Brittany and France. Our members represent a variety of different merchants, artisans, craftsmen, performers, and travelers who are traversing between local fairs and cities, as well as routinely meeting with other caravans. The historical period represented can vary from 1100's through the 1500's depending on the needs and direction of the various shows. The interaction with other caravans allows our members to create and develop characters from almost anywhere in the world. The resulting diversity is amazing, and fully on display.

The Encampment is set up for patrons to enter and immerse themselves in history. What they see is the headquarters area of the caravan for that faire. We have on display: crafts, kitchens, sleeping quarters, dining areas, and crafting areas. Basically, we are set up as a living museum. Most tents are open, to display living conditions on the road. There are also daily ongoing demonstrations of renaissance cooking and crafting. All members both actively and passively interact with patrons throughout the day to their great enjoyment.





## The Ottoman Empire

Encampment located between the Front Gate and the Crown Stage

During the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries, at the height of its power under the reign of Suleiman the Magnificent, the Ottoman Empire was a multinational, multilingual empire controlling much of Southeastern Europe, parts of Central Europe, Western Asia, and North Africa. With Constantinople as its capital and control of lands around the Mediterranean basin, the Ottoman Empire was at the center of interactions between the Eastern and Western worlds for six centuries.

During various conflicts throughout Europe, great capitols rose and fell, often loosing great libraries and other repositories of knowledge and cultural histories, leading to the period known as "The Dark Ages". The Ottomans held and protected the accumulated knowledge of the greater world for centuries. As Europe entered the Renaissance the Ottoman Empire began to share the arts, sciences, and histories that they had so carefully maintained. It was through their influence that much of the cultural histories of great countries remain. The Ottomans were artists, scholars, and philosophers of the highest caliber, generous with their knowledge and diplomatic with their strength.



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## Anger of the Mistress-Trebuchet Encampment Lakeside near the Washing Well Stage

Come witness an amazing demonstration of a medieval trebuchet. A catapult used to smash castle walls or throw projectiles over them. There are demonstrations throughout the day. Encampment members are on hand to answer your questions about this unique weaponry.





## The Adrian Empire

### Encampment located beyond the Joust Tournament Field

The Adrian Empire is dedicated to the study and re-creation of Western European culture between the years 793 and 1625. Our members work to re-create the arts, skills, and culture of this range of the Medieval and Renaissance eras. Local chapters usually meet monthly and hold tournaments of combat, archery, and the arts. Occasional regional as well as two annual national "wars" are also held which include both tournaments and group battle scenarios. At all our events, we strive to wear period garb, set up period encampments or settings, and comport ourselves with chivalry and honor.

The Adrian Empire will present fight demonstrations daily, on the tournament field, and will also host an international competition of warriors during the festivities on the 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of the Faire.



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